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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize the Illinois State Police (ISP) on the occasion of its centennial anniversary; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois State Highway Police began serving the people of Illinois under the direction of Superintendent John Stack as part of the Department of Public Works and Buildings on April 1, 1922; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois State Highway Police was combined with the Illinois State Highway Maintenance Police in 1924; and

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WHEREAS, The Illinois State Police was transferred into the newly created Department of Public Safety in 1941; and

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WHEREAS, Director T.P. Sullivan of the Department of Public Safety initiated plans for a mobile crime laboratory to serve the State under the Illinois State Police authority; Governor Dwight Green christened the mobile laboratory in Chicago on September 12, 1942; the mobile laboratory contained microscopes and supplies, an x-ray unit, and photography, fingerprinting, and polygraph equipment that allowed scientists to conduct nitrate and blood stain tests, identify

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1 fluids, restore serial numbers erased from metals, and conduct
2 qualitative and quantitative analysis of unknown substances;
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4 WHEREAS, Illinois State Police appointments were removed
5 from political patronage and placed under a merit system with
6 the State Police Merit Board in 1941; and

7 WHEREAS, Governor Adlai Stevenson II created an
8 investigative arm of the Illinois State Police dedicated to
9 the suppression of gambling in the State of Illinois in 1950,
10 which grew to include stolen and abandoned vehicles; this unit
11 became known as the Criminal Investigation Bureau (CIB) in
12 1976 and focused on homicide, armed robbery, and burglary
13 investigations; and

14 WHEREAS, Governor William Stratton created the Division of
15 Narcotic Control (DNC) in 1958, which focused on confronting
16 the rising tide of controlled substance abuse and crime; and

17 WHEREAS, Governor Richard Ogilvie merged the Division of
18 Narcotic Control (DNC) into the newly created Illinois Bureau
19 of Investigation (IBI) in 1969; the new bureau focused on
20 narcotic trafficking, organized crime, and general criminal
21 activity; and

1 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Police Academy's current
2 facility opened its doors in 1968; the academy has trained
3 more than 7,000 cadets; prior to the current facility, all
4 state troopers were trained at a building on the grounds of the
5 Illinois State Fair; and

6 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Police was moved into the
7 newly created Department of Law Enforcement in 1970; and

8 WHEREAS, Governor James Thompson combined the Criminal
9 Investigative Bureau of the Illinois State Police and the
10 Illinois Bureau of Investigation into one division, the
11 Division of Criminal Investigation, into the newly named
12 Department of State Police through Executive Order in 1977;
13 this Executive Order further created the Division of Internal
14 Investigation, which replaced the Office of Special
15 Investigations originally created by Governor Dan Walker; and

16 WHEREAS, The Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) was
17 formed within the Illinois State Police, resulting in
18 approximately 300 investigators statewide possessing a wide
19 latitude of investigative experience; this model lasted until
20 the Division of State Troopers and the Division of Criminal
21 Investigation were merged into the Division of Operations
22 (DOO) in the mid-1990s; and

1 WHEREAS, Under Public Act 98-634, Statewide 9-1-1
2 responsibility was moved to the Illinois State Police on July
3 1, 2015; today, the ISP is currently implementing Next
4 Generation 9-1-1; and

5 WHEREAS, Governor JB Pritzker signed Executive Order
6 2019-12 on August 16, 2019, reestablishing the Division of
7 Criminal Investigation (DCI), the Division of Patrol, and the
8 Division of the Academy and Training; and

9 WHEREAS, The Executive Order was codified by Public Act
10 102-538, which officially named the Illinois State Police
11 Divisions as the Division of Statewide 9-1-1, the Division of
12 Patrol Operations, the Division of Criminal Investigation, the
13 Division of Forensic Services, the Division of Justice
14 Services, the Division of Academy and Training, and the
15 Division of Internal Investigation; and

16 WHEREAS, From its humble beginnings, the Illinois State
17 Police has grown into 21 patrol districts, eight investigative
18 zones, six operational forensic science laboratories, and five
19 regional crime scene services commands today; and

20 WHEREAS, As of 2021, more than 70 troopers of the Illinois
21 State Police have made the ultimate sacrifice by giving their
22 lives in service to the State and its citizens; and

1 WHEREAS, The mission of the Illinois State Police is to
2 promote public safety with Integrity, Service, and Pride to
3 improve the quality of life for the citizens of the State of
4 Illinois; since its beginnings in 1922 under Superintendent
5 John Stack, the ISP was created to be a group of men and women
6 above reproach who performed their duties thoroughly,
7 properly, and truthfully, which has culminated into a century
8 of faith from the citizens and visitors of Illinois; and

9 WHEREAS, The Illinois State Police is currently helmed by
10 Director Brendan F. Kelly; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
12 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we recognize the Illinois State Police on its 100th
14 anniversary; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That we commend the Illinois State Police for
16 the high standards it has always maintained through numerous
17 administrations and departments and for ISP's preeminence in
18 law enforcement in the nation and the forward-looking
19 objectives it has for the future; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That we thank the officers and staff of the
21 Illinois State Police for their service, and we wish the ISP

1 continued success; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
3 presented to the Illinois State Police, the Illinois State
4 Police Heritage Foundation, and Illinois Troopers Lodge #41 as
5 an expression of our esteem and respect.